

HOUSE RESOLUTION 161

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Charles Gilbert Robertson of Watertown.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Charles Gilbert Robertson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, he served with acumen and alacrity for more than twenty years as a Watertown City Councilor, for twenty-two years as a Watertown Volunteer Fireman, and for five years as Superintendent of the Watertown Water System, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers, superiors, and the public alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, in addition to holding these honorable positions, Charles Robertson coached softball for ten years with the Watertown Youth League and worked for the U.S. Postal Service for forty-one years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robinson proudly served the United States, rendering sterling service with the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, he was an active and devout member of Dry Creek Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as a Deacon; and

WHEREAS, Charles Robertson was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he was married to Margaret Hobbs Robertson for thirty-nine years until her death on April 30, 2005, and was the proud father of Jamey Robertson and Michelle Tomlinson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Debbie Robertson, from their marriage in 2007, and her daughter, Suzanne Buerkette; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Erika White, Tiffany and Preston Tomlinson, and Michel Buerkette; and by his great-grandchildren, Alyssa and Luke White; and

WHEREAS, he is also survived by his sisters and their husbands, Shirley and Steve Carlisle and Lorea and Howell Roberts, and by his nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Charles Robertson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Charles Gilbert Robertson, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Charles Gilbert Robertson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.